

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Shirou SAWA : **Confirmation No. 6815**
Serial No. 10/578,359 : Group Art Unit 1623
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AQUEOUS SOLUTION PREPARATION : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**
CONTAINING AMINOGLYCOSIDE
ANTIBIOTIC AND BROMFENAC

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of June 2, 2009, Applicant submits the following remarks in support of the patentability of the presently claimed invention over the disclosures of the references relied upon by the Examiner in rejecting the claims. Further and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of these remarks.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1, 3, 4 and 6-9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fu (U.S. Patent No. 5,414,011) in view of Ogawa (U.S. Patent No. 4,910,225), Cagle (U.S. Patent No. 6,440,964) and Miyagi (U.S. Patent No. 6,281,224).

This rejection is respectfully traversed.

(1) Requirements of Applicant's Claims

Applicant's claim 1 requires:

An aqueous solution preparation comprising (a) an aminoglycoside antibiotic or its pharmacologically acceptable salt, (b) bromfenac or its pharmacologically acceptable salt and (c) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of monoethanolamine or its pharmacologically acceptable salt and nicotinamide.